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October 30, 2003

Attn: Samuel T. Morison, Attorney
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Re: ~~Harold Greenwood~~

Dear Mr. Morison:

As you know, an effort has been formed on behalf of Harold Greenwood who is seeking a pardon. As a person who has known Hal Greenwood from the 60's through the 70's, I indicated that I would review the file and attempt to treat his application the same way that I did when serving as chairman of the Board of Pardons.

First, I was impressed by the fact that Judge Paul Magnuson, who presided over the trial, is a strong supporter of a pardon. His review of the case was interesting noting both the violations of law committed by Mr. Greenwood but also what he referred to as "a prosecutorial vendetta." I can think of no one in the Minnesota legal community that I respect more for his integrity, knowledge and genuine sense of justice than former Justice Paul Magnuson.

Regardless of the merits of the case against Hal Greenwood, the real test of parole is the service that has been performed since his release. His commitment to his small community of Grand Marais has made him one of the most valuable members of that society. Regardless of the need, Greenwood has always been there. This is a strong testament to his willingness to serve and his genuine affection to the well-being of others. Bear in mind, he could well have escaped to the anonymous shores of Florida or California and spent his retirement in self indulgence. But he chose not to do that and instead came back to a community where he was known and slowly and steadily rebuilt his reputation. That shows a great deal of character and I deeply respect that. His good works far outweigh any questions about the past. I am proud to join the number of others on behalf of this pardon request.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to call.

Respectfully submitted,


Arne H. Carlson
Governor of Minnesota, 1991-1999



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Mr. Arne Carlson

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Dear Mr. Carlson:

This responds to your letter of October 30, 2003, supporting the pardon application filed by Harold Wight Greenwood of Grand Marais, Minnesota.

Mr. Greenwood's pardon petition is currently under review. We will find your comments useful in considering the case and will make your letter part of his clemency file. His attorney will be notified promptly when final action has been taken on his application. We appreciate your interest in this matter.

Sincerely,

Roger C. Adams

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